

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

This invention is a registry for humans in need of an organ transplantation who, in exchange for an organ or part of an organ which meets their needs, are willing to donate 5 an organ or part of an organ for transplantation to another human in need of an organ transplantation. The exchange may be direct between two individuals, for example between a first patient in need of a kidney who donates a lung lobe to a second patient in need of a lung lobe, while the second patient donates a kidney to the first patient. In another embodiment, the exchange is indirect and involves greater than two patients, for 10 example, the donation of a kidney by a first patient to a second patient, the donation of a liver lobe by the second patient to a third patient, and the donation of a lung lobe by the third patient to the first patient. This registry insures the maximum availability of organ donations by living persons.